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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION  
(RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Address to:  
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Application Number

10/696,918

Filing Date

October 30, 2003

First Named Inventor

VINSON ET AL.

Group Art Unit

2822

Examiner Name

T. TRAN

Attorney Docket Number

51231-DIV

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. ☐ Previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendments/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ After Final Amendment

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. ☐ Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.14) when the RCE is filed; Fee calculated as shown below.)

a. ☐ Checks in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

b. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the filing fee and any discrepancies in fee amounts to **Deposit Acct. No. 08-0870.**

c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed).

i. ☒ RCE fee (**\$790 large entity**) required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.137 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED**

NAME

Richard K. WARTHER, Reg. No. 32,180

SIGNATURE

DATE

MARCH 29, 2006

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